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Dear Ms. Dragoo:

This letter is in reply to your letter of March 30, 1999, wherein you requested an extension to the Division's Order of February 25, 1999. Your request for an extension is <u>not</u> granted based on the lack of Horizon's diligent effort to reduce the coal waste pile significantly in the 30-day time frame required under the Order. While the Division also favors a good solution, the Division notes that it has expended considerable time and effort over an 18-month time period with Horizon Mining, LLC attempting to resolve this issue in a low key and amicable manner.

Sincerely,

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